

## Community Development and Recreation Committee

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| <b>Meeting No.</b>  | 1                               | <b>Contact</b> | Candy Davidovits, Acting Administrator                       |
| <b>Meeting Date</b> | Monday, January 22, 2007        | <b>Phone</b>   | 416-392-8032   |
| <b>Start Time</b>   | 9:30 AM                         | <b>E-mail</b>  | <a href="mailto:cdavidov@toronto.ca">cdavidov@toronto.ca</a> |
| <b>Location</b>     | Committee Room No. 1, City Hall |                |  |

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| Community Development and Recreation Committee |                        |                             |
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| Councillor Joe Mihevc (Chair)                  | Councillor Janet Davis | Councillor Frances Nunziata |
| Councillor Maria Augimeri                      | Councillor Norm Kelly  | Councillor David Shiner     |

**If the Community Services Committee wishes to meet in camera (privately), a motion must be made to do so, and the reason must be given (*Municipal Act 2001*).**

**Declarations of Interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*.**

**Speakers/Presentations - A complete list will be distributed at the meeting.**

**Communications/Reports**

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**Election of Vice Chair**

**Summary**

Election of Vice Chair

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**Orientation/Presentations for the Community Development and Recreation Committee**

**Summary**

Deputy City Manager Sue Corke and the Division Heads reporting to the Community Development and Recreation Committee to give an orientation and presentations on strategic issues pertaining to their Divisions.

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**Proposed 2007 Rate Increase for Homemaking Agencies Contracted by the Homemakers and Nurses Services Program (HMNS)**

(December 19, 2006) report from General Manager, Homes for the Aged

**Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

1. the rate paid to community service agencies contracted by HMNS, including those community service agencies who provide service under the “Special Needs Fund” of HMNS be increased from \$16.83 to \$20.65 effective January 1, 2007;

2. the rate of \$20.65 be deemed to be an all-inclusive rate, covering the costs associated with hourly service provision, pay equity and travel, as outlined in this report;
3. the General Manager of Homes for the Aged be authorized to negotiate annual rate increases in 2008, 2009 and 2010 that do not exceed the rate of inflation and are within the Division's approved base program budget; and
4. the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

### **Financial Impact**

There are no financial implications arising out of this report. The homemaking services will continue to be cost-shared between the Province and the City on an 80:20 basis as outlined in the *Homemakers and Nurses Services Act*, and the rate increase will be managed within the divisional 2007 operating budget.

### **Summary**

The Homemakers and Nurses Services Program (HMNS) contracts with eleven (11) community service agencies to provide in-home support (light housekeeping, laundry, assistance with meal preparation, etc.) to clients of the City's HMNS (i.e. seniors, the frail elderly, persons with disabilities) to support these City residents to remain in their own homes and age in place. The rates paid to the eleven agencies are specified in annual service agreements with the City, but the actual rates have not been increased since 2004. This has created hardship to some contracted community service agencies as they have incurred wage increases of between two to three percent annually.

In addition, there was a historic approach adopted by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) and the City's HMNS to pay the contracted community service agencies for their service to clients by flowing funding in three separate "streams" or "components", namely the hourly rate, the pay equity rate and the rate paid for travel time between clients. The MOHLTC has changed its own approach to funding the City's HMNS program and now considers all three components to be part of the base funding, making it possible for the City to initiate a blended rate for all three components, resulting in administrative efficiency within HMNS.

The HMNS is a cost shared program (80:20), although the pay equity component was previously 100 percent funded by the MOHLTC. The proposed rate increase and the proposed blended rate will be absorbed within the approved operating budget for HMNS.

### **Background Information**

2007-cd1-3

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-213.pdf>

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### **Membership - Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged - Mr. Jack Harmer**

(December 15, 2006) letter from Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged

#### **Recommendations**

The Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged recommended to the Community Development and Recreation Committee that:

1. Jack Harmer be appointed to membership on the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged, for a period of three (3) years, with the provision for an extension of an additional term, as outlined in the terms of reference; and
2. the appropriate City official be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

#### **Summary**

Appointment to Membership of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged

#### **Background Information**

2007-cd1-4

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-644.pdf>

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### **Membership - Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged - Ms. Beth Morum**

(November 17, 2006) letter from Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged

#### **Recommendations**

The Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged recommended to the Community Development and Recreation Committee that:

1. Ms. Beth Morum be appointed to the membership of the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged, for a period of three (3) years, with the provision for an extension of an additional term, as outlined in the terms of reference; and

2. the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

## Summary

Appointment to Membership to the Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged

## Background Information

2007-cd1-5

(<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-643.pdf>)

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## Ensuring Parents are Provided with Assistance in Properly Installing Child Safety Car Restraints

(October 6, 2006) letter from City Clerk

## Recommendations

1. That the City of Toronto provide assistance in safely installing child car restraint systems and that it be done through local fire halls;
2. That the Fire Chief incorporate, into all training and refresher training courses for Toronto firefighters, a program to teach them how to properly install infant and toddler car seats;
3. That by the end of 2008, each fire hall have on duty at least one firefighter, so that residents can attend any fire hall and have someone available that can assist with the safe installation of a child car seat or who can check an installation to ensure that it has been properly done; and
4. That this matter be referred to the Fire Chief for a report to the Community Development and Recreation Committee.

## Summary

City Council on September 25, 26 and 27, 2006, referred a motion respecting the proper installation of child safety car restraints to the Community Development and Recreation Committee.

**Background Information**

2007-cd1-6

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-645.pdf>

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**Impact of Poverty on Children's Current and Future Health**

(September 15, 2006) letter from Board of Health

**Recommendations**

Submitting, for information, a report (August 28, 2006) from the Medical Officer of Health respecting the impact of poverty on children's current and future health.

**Summary**

Providing an overview of the impact of poverty on children's current and future health.

**Background Information**

2007-cd1-7

<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2007/cd/bgrd/backgroundfile-646.pdf>